GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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VAT EVADERS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Value Added Tax (VAT) evaders reported during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has initiated action against the offenders;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the action is likely to be taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

(a) to (d) VAT being tax on sale or purchase of goods within a State, is State subject as per Entry 54 in the State List of Seventh Schedule of the Constitution. The subject matter of the Question is purely State subject, wherein the State Governments have sovereign power to make law of the concerned State. Since VAT is administered entity by the State Government, information on details of VAT offenders are maintained by individual State Governments and not by Central Government.